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FOR AMBASSADOR VANCE FROM CHARGE TANGUY

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ON CRIME

REF: STATE 152604

1. WE APPRECIATE RECEIVING YOUR RECENT MESSAGE EMPHASIZING THE PERSIDENT'S PERSONAL CONCERN ABOUT THE TRAFFICKING AND ADDICTION ASPECTS OF THE DRUG PROBLEM. YOU POINTED OUT THAT THE DRUGS OF ABUSE IN THE US CONTINUE TO BE PRIMARILY OF FOREIGN ORIGIN AND YOU ASKED US WHAT SUGGESTIONS WE MIGHT HAVE LEADING TO THE MORE EFFECTIVE CONDUCT OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROGRAM TO RESTRICT THE FLOW OF DRUGS INTO THE US.

2. THE EMBASSY HAS JUST COMPLETED A DETAILED STUDY OF THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE DRUG PROBLEM IN THE NETHERLANDS AS IT IMPACTS ON THE US DRUG PROBLEM (THE HAGUE 3746). THE REPORT ALSO SUMMARIZES THE GOALS OF THE EMBASSY'S NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM AND THE PROGRAMS WE HAVE UNDER WAY OR ARE PROJECTING TO MEET THOSE GOALS. INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAMS ARE A NUMBER OF NEW OR EXPANDED INITIATIVES WHICH WILL ENABLE THE EMBASSY TO CAPITALIZE ON A MORE REALISTIC DUTCH RECOGNITION OF THEIR PROBLEM AND A WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH US AUTHORITIES. ONLY A SMALL INCREASE IN US RESOURCES WILL BE NEEDED, THE MOST IMPORTANT BEING THE ASSIGNMENT OF AN FSO TO SERVE FULL-TIME ON NARCOTICS

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CONTROL WORK.

3. I HOPE THAT YOU FIND SOME USEFUL IDEAS AND PROPOSALS IN
OUR REPORT AND ANY ASSISTANCE YOU CAN GIVE US IN OBTAINING
AN ADDITIONAL FSO FOR NARCOTICS CONTROL WORK WILL BE MOST
APPRECIATED. REGARDS.

TANGUY

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